

#### State of Utah

## Department of Natural Resources

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# Division of Oil, Gas & Mining

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Company	Dan Guy				
OGM	Joe Helfrich Environmental Scientist III				

### **Inspection Report**

Permit Number:	C0070016		
Inspection Type:	COMPLETE		
Inspection Date:	Tuesday, June 21, 2005		
Start Date/Time:	6/21/2005 9:30:00 AM		
End Date/Time:	6/21/2005 3:00:00 PM		
Last Inspection:	Wednesday, May 18, 2005		

Inspector: Joe Helfrich, Environmental Scientist III

Weather: sunny windy 75

InspectionID Report Number: 654

Accepted by: whedberg 7/7/2005

Permitee: MOUNTAIN COAL CO
Operator: MOUNTAIN COAL CO

Site: GORDON CREEK 2, 7 & 8 MINES
Address: HC 35 BOX 380, HELPER UT 84526

County: CARBON

Permit Type: PERMANENT COAL PROGRAM

Permit Status: RECLAIMED

#### **Current Acreages**

<b>Total Permitted</b>	180.00
<b>Total Disturbed</b>	34.88
Phase I	
Phase II	
Phase III	

#### Mineral Ownership Types of Operations

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✓ Federal		Underground
State		Surface
☐ County		Loadout
<b>✓</b> Fee		Processing
Other		Reprocessing

Report summary and status for pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Division Orders, and amendments:

The purpose of this site visit was to conduct a complete inspection of the Gordon Creek reclaimed site. There are no amendments pending. There were no compliance issues or off site impacts noted during the inspection.

Inspector's Signature

Date

Monday, June 27, 2005

Joe Helfrich, Environmental Scientist III Inspector ID Number: 1

Note: This inspection report does not constitute an affidavit of compliance with the regulatory program of the Division of Oil, Gas and Mining.

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#### REVIEW OF PERMIT, PERFORMANCE STANDARDS PERMIT CONDITION REQUIREMENTS

- 1. Substantiate the elements on this inspection by checking the appropriate performance standard.
  a. For COMPLETE inspections provide narrative justification for any elements not fully inspected unless element is not appropriate to the site, in which case check Not Applicable. b. For PARTIAL inspections check only the elements evaluated.
- 2. Document any noncompliance situation by reference the NOV issued at the appropriate performance standard listed below.
- Reference any narratives written in conjunction with this inspection at the appropriate performace standard listed below.
   Provide a brief status report for all pending enforcement actions, permit conditions, Divison Orders, and amendments.

		Evaluated	Not Applicable	Comment	Enforcement
1.	Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale	<b>✓</b>		$\checkmark$	
2.	Signs and Markers	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
3.	Topsoil	<b>✓</b>			
4.a	Hydrologic Balance: Diversions	<b>✓</b>			
4.b	Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
4.c	Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
4.d	Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
4.e	Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations	<b>✓</b>		<b>✓</b>	
5.	Explosives		<b>✓</b>		
6.	Disposal of Excess Spoil, Fills, Benches		<b>✓</b>		
7.	Coal Mine Waste, Refuse Piles, Impoundments		<b>✓</b>		
8.	Noncoal Waste	<b>✓</b>			
9.	Protection of Fish, Wildlife and Related Environmental Issues	<b>✓</b>			
10.	Slides and Other Damage		<b>✓</b>		
11.	Contemporaneous Reclamation		<b>✓</b>		
12.	Backfilling And Grading		<b>✓</b>		
13.	Revegetation	<b>✓</b>			
14.	Subsidence Control		<b>✓</b>		
15.	Cessation of Operations		<b>✓</b>		
16.8	a Roads: Construction, Maintenance, Surfacing	<b>✓</b>			
16.	o Roads: Drainage Controls	<b>✓</b>			
17.	Other Transportation Facilities		<b>✓</b>		
18.	Support Facilities, Utility Installations		<b>✓</b>		
19.	AVS Check		<b>✓</b>		
20.	Air Quality Permit		<b>~</b>		
21.	Bonding and Insurance	<b>✓</b>		✓	
22.	Other		<b>✓</b>		

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#### 1. Permits, Change, Transfer, Renewal, Sale

The permit for this reclaimed site was renewed effective August 28, 2004 and expires August 30, 2008.

#### 2. Signs and Markers

Signs with the required information were posted at the access to the reclaimed site. The fence at the entrance to the reclaimed area is damaged and is scheduled to be repaired. The fence along the base of the reclaimed fan portal will most likely be removed as it is no longer needed.

#### 4.b Hydrologic Balance: Sediment Ponds and Impoundments

The main cell of the sediment pond was nearly full and Jacob's pond was also full. The ponds were inspected on 5/16/05 showing no signs of instability or erosion.

#### 4.c Hydrologic Balance: Other Sediment Control Measures

Except for a minor amount of run off from snow melt, the grading on the county road above the reclaimed site has kept run off diverted into the drainage opposite the reclaimed area.

#### 4.d Hydrologic Balance: Water Monitoring

Hard copies of the 1st and second quarter water monitoring data were available for inspection. The second quarter data was uploaded into the data base on 6/29/05. There were no anomalies or parameter exceedances.

#### 4.e Hydrologic Balance: Effluent Limitations

DMR"s were current through May 2005 reflecting no discharge from the three celled sediment pond.

#### 21. Bonding and Insurance

Liberty Mutual Insurance Company holds the \$641,443.00 bond. St. Paul Fire & Marine Insurance Company carries a \$500,000 general liability coverage that expires July 31, 2005.